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Patrick Foye **Executive Director** Port Authority of New York & New Jersey 225 Park Avenue South, 15th Floor New York, NY 10003

Dear Mr. Foye,

Over the past few months, the Port Authority has conducted needed construction on the runways at LaGuardia Airport in order to maintain their quality and safety. However, it has come to our attention that much of this work, which causes air traffic to be diverted over communities surrounding the airport, is conducted on weekends in the early morning and late at night. On behalf of the many Queens residents affected by this peak in noise, we ask that the Port Authority adjust the hours during which construction takes place on weekends.

We appreciate the investment the Port Authority is making into improving LaGuardia Airport and understand how important it is to conduct work on the airport's runways. We are also aware that air traffic demands impose restrictions on when this construction can be conducted. That said, it is important to note that weekend nights and early mornings are the times with the greatest impact on the residents of communities in the path of diverted air traffic. As you can imagine, the last thing hard-working families need is to be awoken from their sleep on their days off.

Members of the communities affected by this increased noise would greatly appreciate if the Port Authority could refrain from closing runways during the early-morning and late-night hours on weekends. While we understand the work must be completed in a timely manner, we hope the Port Authority can find alternate times that would be less disruptive to residents. Thank you for your attention to this matter and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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